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Attorney Docket No. 08702.0009-01000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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LEONARD et al. ) Confirmation No.: 7087  
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Application No.: 09/512,701 ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
)  
Filed: February 25, 2000 ) Examiner: N. M. Minnifield  
)  
For: USE OF IL-12 ANTAGONISTS IN )  
THE TREATMENT OF )  
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated  
July 15, 2003, of the Examiner.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☒ A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to December 15, 2003 is enclosed together with a fee of \$420.00.
2. ☒ The Appeal Fee of \$330.00 is enclosed.
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 are enclosed together with a fee of \$180.00.
4. ☒ A check for \$930.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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